

Girl Scout Council of Buffalo and Erie County



GIRL SCOUTS

May 1991

"Dear David & Friends" Desert Storm Letters

Girl Scouts in Erie County were writing up a storm to servicemen and women stationed in the Middle East as part of Desert Shield and Desert Storm operations. Many troops participated in the Girl Scout Council's special service project by sending cards, letters and packages to service personnel.

After receiving some of the Girl Scouts' letters, a Sergeant responded this way, "...thank you ladies. I'm a sergeant in the U.S. Army. I was a Girl Scout once. Remember what you are taught because you may have to use it one day. Be good and be proud to be an American woman..." Another responded with, "Just wanted to drop a line to tell you we do care and to say thank you for your concern..." and "being away from home for Christmas is not a new experience for me. However, being in a desert and facing the possibility of war is. So the pictures helped brighten my Christmas a bit."

In some cases, local businesses gave the girls' efforts a boost by paying shipping costs for packages. In Depew, Arcata Graphics paid packing and shipping costs for cards and packages for "any serviceman."

Three Brownie troops and one Daisy troop from Ellicott Meadows Neighborhood received letters, postcards, booklets, and even



Approximately 200 Girl Scouts attended the Seneca Mall Slumber Party, and they paused from the games that evening to write letters to service personnel in Operation Desert Storm.

origami creations from service persons who received their letters.

In February almost 200 girls from all over Erie County attended the Second Annual Girl Scout Slumber Party at the Seneca Mall. As part of the event, girls wrote letters to "Dear David and Friends." David is First Lieutenant David Keech, Second Marine Division, stationed in Saudi Arabia. David's mother, Nancy Keech, is Administrative Assistant on staff at the Girl Scout Service Center. For David, these letters became a personal connection.

Crabapple Neighborhood Girl Scouts wrote to a serviceman who was a Cheektowaga Central graduate. His reply told much about the area where he was stationed and gave the girls a glimpse of daily living for the troops there.

On December 24, the sergeant wrote, "Until last week I would not have been able to reveal my location because it was still classified. Of course, you would have thought 'what is this James Bond?' But

since they declassified this location I can reveal I'm quartered in the gulf state of Qatar. Qatar borders Saudi Arabia and the United Arab Emirates. The population is approximately 200,000. Only about one in three people are native Arabs. The rest are Indians, Pakistanis, Orientals, Africans, and other people from throughout the region. Since Qatar is fairly prosperous due to oil, people from all over come here in search of work."

"Our mission is to provide combat communications and air traffic control support to the fighting forces in this area. Our communication systems include satellite, microwave, telephone, teletype equipment and tactical air traffic control navigation aids. We could be compared to AT&T or any other telephone company in many ways. There are only five units like ours in the Air Force. As such we feel that we are an elite organization and are very proud to be serving (continued on page 6)

Corner

President's



Dear Friends,

Where has the year gone? Can it be that it was twelve months ago that I stood before you and was inducted as President? Time certainly does fly when you are having fun! Yes there has been a tremendous amount of work but there has been an even greater amount of fun. As you can tell I am enjoying this "job" thoroughly.

Dot, our new Executive Director, and I have been meeting regularly and we are very excited about the potential within our Council. We are ready, better make that eager, to move ahead. The wheels are already in motion. The officers, the board, the Executive Director and I will continue to review key issues, study alternatives and develop strategies to move our Council vibrantly into the 21st century. Change, like flowers, must be nurtured in order to bloom. Imagine the beautiful garden we will have when our flowers begin to bloom.

We are facing a very exciting and challenging time. So be prepared to be challenged and be sure to bring your enthusiasm with you. I am looking forward to working together in the year ahead.

Carole A. Spina

President



Troop Leader Julie Andexler and girls from Cadette Troop #1286 participated in the Girl Scout Sunday promotion at Eastern Hills Mall. Shown here are: Anne Perdziak, Lynda Hughes and Cindy Kopp.

Girl Scout Week March 1991

Girl Scouts across Erie County celebrated Girl Scout Week with many kinds of events ranging from special Girl Scout Sunday church ceremonies to international fairs. Many Girl Scout troops made special donations to the Juliette Low World Friendship Fund. This international fund helps Girl Scouts and Girl Guides participate in international exchanges and travel opportunities. The goal of these activities is to increase appreciation of other cultures and to encourage world peace and friendship.

Buffalo Girl Scouts in the Riverside area watched the movie, "The Golden Eaglet," which describes the early history of Girl Scouting. Troops in the Tonawanda area collected donations of food for the local food pantry and Lancaster Girl Scouts contributed to the Friends of Children in Need. Treemore Neighborhood Brownie Troop 243 appeared on WKBW-TV's "Good Morning" show on Monday, March 11 in honor of Girl Scout Week.

Council promotions for Girl Scout Week included a window display in the vacant Sample Shop on Hertel Avenue.

A Girl Scout Sunday promotion was held at Eastern Hills Mall. Cadettes from Troop 1286 helped to pass out stickers reading "Once a Girl Scout ... always a Girl Scout" to former Girl Scouts. These former Girl Scouts then signed our guest book and placed a pin on a map of the USA showing where they first joined Girl Scouting. Over 300 pins were placed on the map and a thousand stickers were given away. Former Girl Scouts shared happy memories of their past Girl Scouting experiences. Also, as part of the promotion, Eastern Hills Mall set up a display of some of our historical Girl Scout memorabilia in two spotlight showcases in the center concourse. The display stayed there for the month of March and was then sent to McKinley Mall for the month of April.

We look forward to next year's Girl Scout Week when Girl Scouting is 80 years old!



A former Girl Scout marks the area where she first joined Girl Scouting. Over 300 pins were on the map by the end of the Girl Scout Sunday promotion.

Thanks to Leaver & Frank, Inc., Window Cleaners who donated their services to clean windows for our Hertel Avenue window display in March and to the Sample for donating the space.



Girl Scout leprechaun Jean Brundage escorts Sr. Rose Mary Lander to accept the Thanks Badge II at the Annual Awards Dinner.

Awards & Recognition Dinner

The Girl Scout Council of Buffalo & Erie County, Inc. honored its outstanding volunteers and community supporters at a Recognition Dinner on Saturday, March 16, 1991 at the Amherst Marriott Hotel. Approximately 400 guests were present to recognize the recipients of numerous adult awards and eighteen Gold Awards for girl members.

Dolores Mendolia, a Girl Scout member who is employed as the Director of Public Relations for the West Seneca Central School District, hosted the ceremony. Council President Camille Spyra of Amherst also participated in the recognition ceremonies.

Eighteen Gold Awards were given in addition to the adult recognitions. Twenty-three members were also presented with numeral pins marking years of membership in Girl Scouting. Among those honored, three members received pins for 50 or more years of membership. They were: Shirley Jones, Doris Szen (50 years) and Sallyann Errington (5 years). (See page 10 for full listing.)



Eighteen Erie County Girl Scouts received the Gold Award at the Annual Awards Dinner in March.

Thanks Badge II

Sr. Rose Mary Lander
Liz Sayers

Thanks Badge

President Camille Spyra
Catharine Weiss
June Peterson
Nancy Hartung

Council Award

Mark Crawford
Dee Wonch
Donald Fishback
Lyn Wixom

Community Award

Susan Zyga
Deborah Stachura
Lawley Services, Inc.
Wegman's
Marine Midland Bank

Outstanding Volunteer Award

Amelia Parrish
Phyllis Lomanto
Winifred Patrick
Cathy Mayer
Mary Ann Frank
Pat Mineo

Certificates of Appreciation

James C. McCormick
John Worrell

Appreciation Pin

Lori Devereux

Special Award

Joyce Gifford

Gold Awards

Amy Kubas
Cindy Mellenger
Lori Melton
Nancy Di Lonardo
Janet Payne
Michele Pritchard
Tami Foigelman
Kerri Zawadzki
Nancy M. Nedell
Amy Scheitherr
Janine Wythe
Andrea Piazza
Sharon Lynn Hutter
Amy Gerbec
Michelle L. Hall
Rachel L. Murphy
Gail Szurgot
Nicole M. Gmerek



Emcee Dolores Mendolia looks on as Council President Camille Spyra presents a special award to Girl Scout Joyce Gifford of Blasdell. Joyce's Girl Scout first aid training enabled her to save a child's life, while on the job as a telephone operator.

"Friends Forever" Summer Camp 1991

Through day camp or resident camp experiences, girls can make friends and have happy times to remember always. Day camp offers younger girls a chance to grow in self-esteem, become more independent and enjoy a camp experience while returning to the security of their own home at the end of the day.

Day camp offers parents an economical alternative to the cost of child care. This year Green Lake Day Camp is offering an "extended day" option. Programs at Green Lake have traditionally run from 9:00 a.m. - 3:00 p.m. Monday - Friday with an overnight experience for girls entering the 4th grade and up. However, this year, parents may choose to provide their daughters with a longer camp day. The extended hours are available at an additional charge. Morning hours for extended day are 8:00 a.m. - 9:00 a.m. and afternoon hours are 3:00 p.m. - 5:00 p.m.

Camp Seven Hills, our summer resident camp, will again offer a variety of programs including a ropes course, arts & crafts, hiking, horseback riding, nature exploration, outdoor skills, swimming, sports and more. Once again camp staff from other parts of the world will provide widened cultural horizons for campers. Each year the "Camp America" program provides staff from all parts of the world. This year approximately 19 "internationals" are expected at Seven Hills and for the first time two internationals join the Green Lake staff. Countries represented are: Scotland, New Zealand, England, Poland, Hungary, Denmark and Switzerland.



Campers from 1990 and 1988 may remember Alice Cochrane (Scotland) and Alex Smith (England) who are returning for repeat stays.

Registration for resident camp "horse" programs fills early every spring, but other programs often have openings right through the summer. Remember any girl can attend camp. Campers are not required to be Girl Scout members.

Make your plans now for summer camp fun, and this summer make memories and friends to last a lifetime.



There's
still
time
to
register
for

Summer camp!

Girl Scout Camperships

A campership fund is available to defray the expense of summer camp and, in some situations, the cost of day camp busing. It is intended to be used as a supplement to the applicant's own contribution.

To be eligible, girls must:

- * be a currently registered Girl Scout
- * have participated in the most recent council cookie sale

(A percentage of each box sold is the primary source of funding for camperships.)

Application Procedures:

- * Financial need is the primary requisite for financial assistance. The applicant must provide all financial information requested, make an honest appraisal of her needs and request a specific amount. All financial information provided will remain strictly confidential.
- * The application must be completed in full in order to be considered. Any blank spaces will result in delays in processing or rejection of requests.
- * A deposit of \$5.00 is required with each camp registration.
- * When completed and signed by a parent or guardian, mail summer campership application, camp registration form and deposit to:

Girl Scout Service Center
Attn: Camperships
70 Jewett Parkway
Buffalo, New York 14214

Applications must be returned to the Girl Scout Service Center by Thursday, May 30, 1991.

Campers will be notified in writing of grant allocations by June 20, 1991. Please do not call the Girl Scout Council. Phone confirmations cannot be given.

Camp Natarzwi Alumnae Sought

Camp Natarzwi in Abnaki Girl Scout Council is located near Baxter State Park just beyond Millinocket, Maine. This summer marks the 55th Anniversary of the camp. The Natarzwi 55th Anniversary Committee is trying to locate former campers and staff to invite to the celebration. The 55th Anniversary Reunion will take place August 23-25, 1991 at the camp. Registration deadline is July 1, 1991. For more information, contact: Natarzwi 55th Anniversary Committee, Abnaki Girl Scout Council, 156 North Main Street, Brewer, Maine 04412-2096 or call (207) 989-7474.

Girl Scouts Reach Out

Ellicott Meadows Neighborhood ran a very successful community service project in late 1990. In their Adopt-a-Family project, Girl Scouts collected enough food and non-food donations to make a big difference in the lives of four area families. Neighborhood funds were used to purchase four turkeys, aluminum foil, and foil roaster pans. Each family received three packed boxes of donated items along with their turkey. All levels of Girl Scout troops in the Tonawanda area participated. The project was so successful that it was repeated for Easter 1991. Some troops brought in food donations from their families, and others used troop funds to buy the

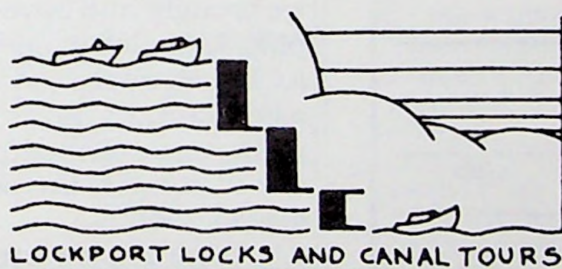
food gifts. Well over a hundred pounds of canned food was collected. Also donated were non-food items (which would not be available through food stamp programs.)

Letters of appreciation from the families reached the girls. One such letter said, "Because of your awareness and generosity two deserving families were able to experience a fuller meaning and degree of festivity (at holiday time)."

IN MEMORIAM

Helen A. Kensy, Elma
died Jan. 13, 1991

Barbara Scherer Trotz, Albion
died Nov. 27, 1990



**Girl Scout Troop Special
Two-Hour Narrated Cruise
on the
Erie Canal and the Lockport Locks**
\$4.50 per person

- ✱ Enjoy a cruise on the historic Erie Canal with Captain Mike Murphy aboard Coast Guard inspected vessels.
- ✱ Experience "locking through" Locks 34 & 35 which raise the boat 49.5 feet in elevation.
- ✱ Enjoy a picnic lunch after the tour at a near-by city park.
- ✱ Arrange to also tour the Niagara County Historical Museum if you wish.

This Girl Scout troop special is available every Saturday at 11:00 a.m. from May to November. Reservations are required. (\$.50 of each ticket benefits the Girl Scout Council of Buffalo & Erie County.)

✱ Call Captain Mike Murphy for information or reservations ✱
304 Irvington Dr. ✱ Tonawanda NY 14150
693-3260



Planned Giving

Plant the Seed. In 1824, an Englishman made a relatively small bequest to start a museum in the United States. Today, the Smithsonian Institute is one of the great institutions of this world. A seed was planted and for generations to come, people will benefit from the program and services of this institute.

In order to assure that Girl Scouting will always be available to the girls and adults of Western New York, the Girl Scout Council of Buffalo & Erie County has established a special program that is managed by the Board of Directors. Each year, the income from this program will be used to expand the council's activities, to enhance the quality of our programs and to guarantee the fu-

ture financial stability of the council.

It is our hope that you will want to support Girl Scouting through a gift of cash, securities, a bequest, real estate or other personal property. You can provide perpetual income to the council and assure that future generations of young girls can develop to their fullest potential and become concerned and active citizens of this community.

Extend your influence into future generations through a gift to Planned Giving today!

If you would like more information concerning the ideas presented in this article, please contact:

**Fund Development
Girl Scout Service Center
70 Jewett Parkway
Buffalo, NY 14214
(716) 837-6400**



GIRL SCOUTS

**Buffalo & Erie County
Tribute Fund**

Let someone know, in a meaningful way, that you appreciate them--or congratulate them--or honor them with a gift through our Tribute Fund. It is a perfect means for saying "thank you" to a special leader and also appropriate for memorializing a beloved Girl Scout or Leader.

Contributions to the Tribute Fund may be made in any amount to pay tribute to whomever you wish. A contribution to Girl Scouting will give lasting significance to birthdays, anniversaries, graduations, and other special occasions. It is also a fitting memorial because it provides for a gift of lasting inspiration. If the donor wishes to designate the gift to specific use, the donor's wishes will, of course, be followed.

You can help, not only by making a contribution yourself, but by suggesting such contributions to others. It is a special way to honor someone, and it is an investment in the future because it helps girls today.

Buffalo & Erie County Girl Scout Council Tribute Fund Request Form (Please copy form)

Name of Donor _____

Address _____

City _____ State _____ Zip _____

Phone _____

Tribute given as (check one):

- ☐ Birthday Greeting
☐ Memorial
☐ Get Well Wish
☐ Congratulations

(specify occasion) _____

To honor:

name of individual _____

Send card to:

honorees or family if memorial _____

address _____

city _____ state _____ zip _____

**Mail check and form to:
Tribute Fund,
Girl Scout Council of Buffalo
70 Jewett Parkway
Buffalo, NY 14214.
Make checks payable to:
Girl Scouts, Buffalo.**

Desert Storm Letters

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our country here in the Persian Gulf."

"We are quartered in tempered tents that are air conditioned. The daily temperatures reach the mid-eighties and the nights are quite chilly. It'll stay like that until it starts to heat up again towards the end of March."

"They feed us quite well. We have a tactical field kitchen on base and it provides two hot meals a day (breakfast and dinner). Lunch consists of MREs or Meals Ready to Eat. They are OK, well sort of. An MRE is a prepackaged and sealed meal that comes in a plastic bag the size of a dictionary."

"We have a portable field shower but shower times are limited to conserve water. We get our electricity from a mobile power station we brought and have a small hospital. Included in our tent city are a Chapel, recreation building and a field laundry. So as you can see, we have established quite a mobile city to support the personnel assigned here."

"I hope I have provided some insight on what it is like serving here. Thanks for taking the time to write because letters mean a lot to the soldiers, airmen, marines and sailors (Chief Master Sergeants too) who are currently serving so far from their homes."



Girl Scout Days at Marineland

Come and join in the fun and excitement at Marineland. Reservations are made by either returning this reply form or calling Marineland at (416) 356-2142. A confirmation will be sent to you, your payment is due on the day of visit at the front gate.



Marineland will donate \$1.00 U.S. for every ticket sold to support Girl Scouting activities.

Marineland is, once again, pleased to offer the Girl Scouts fun-filled days at Marineland at incredible savings.

Hours of Operation

Admission gates are open from 10:00 a.m. until 5:00 p.m. Park activities remain in operation until dusk.

Incredible Savings

Enjoy all shows, rides, animal displays and aquarium for a fraction of the price. **Minimum of 10 persons required.**

\$7.95 U.S. - Girl Scouts & Children (4-9 years of age)/Seniors (55+)

\$7.95 U.S. - Leaders & Chaperones (not to exceed 1 per 5 Girl Scouts)

\$11.25 U.S. - Additional adults

All above rates include all applicable Canadian taxes.

Program Guidelines (Minimum of 10 persons is required in order to obtain these rates.)

Period May 18 to June 21, 1991

Rate \$7.95 U.S. for Girl Scouts, chaperones (not to exceed 1 per 5 Girl Scouts) and additional children (4-9). \$11.25 U.S. for additional adults (10-54).

Reservations Simply complete and return the reply card or call (416) 356-2142.

Please mail to: Marineland, 8375 Stanley Avenue, Niagara Falls, ON L2E 6X8.

Your payment will be due at the front gate on date of visit. Thank you.

GIRL SCOUT DAYS AT MARINELAND

May 18 to June 21, 1991

Troop # and Name: _____

Council's Name: _____

Leader's Name: _____

Phone #: () _____

Street: _____

City: _____ State: _____ Zip Code: _____

Date of Visit: _____ Arrival Time (approx.): _____

of Girl Scouts @ \$7.95 U.S.: _____

Additional Children (4-9) @ \$7.95 U.S.: _____

of Chaperones @ \$7.95 U.S.: _____

of Additional Adults (10+) @ \$11.25 U.S.: _____



Troop Leader Barb Ballistrea and girls from Cadette Troop #248 in Buffalo manned the Girl Scout booth at Kidfest on February 23rd at the Buffalo Convention Center. The girls did face-painting on children visiting their booth, and gave out camp and recruitment literature. If your troop would like to represent Girl Scouting to the community, call Sue Pesola (837-6400 x 232) to register as an "On Call" troop.



In March and April, historical Girl Scout uniforms and other Girl Scout mementos were on display at Eastern Hills Mall and McKinley Mall. Many shoppers paused to see the memorabilia which brought back happy memories of Girl Scouting. Nobody, however, is known to admit remembering the signal flags shown here with an old uniform.

You are cordially invited to attend
**THE THIRD ANNUAL MEN'S & WOMEN'S
 GOLF CLASSIC**

to benefit

THE GIRL SCOUT COUNCIL OF BUFFALO & ERIE COUNTY, INC.



DATE: Monday, July 8, 1991

PLACE: Wanakah Country Club

TIME: 10:30 a.m. Registration
 11:00 a.m. Lunch
 12:00 p.m. Shotgun Start
 5:30 p.m. Cocktails and Dinner

Hole-In-One Contest
 Chinese Auction

COST: \$125 Golf, Lunch, Dinner
 \$50 Dinner only

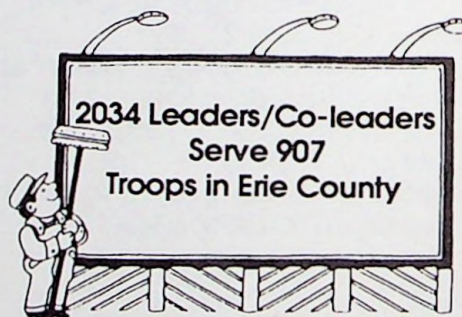
For reservations or more information, contact Mary Miranda in
 Fund Development, 837-6400.

Girl Scout Leader's Day

April 22, 1991, marked the tenth annual observance of Girl Scout Leader's Day. Thousands of women and men nationwide were honored for their voluntary contributions to Girl Scouting.

Girl Scout Leader's Day was established in 1982 to recognize the people who make Girl Scouting possible for girls. April 22 was chosen because it falls in or near the annual National Volunteers Week, the third week in April. Over 750,000 Girl Scout adults serve 2.4 million girls in the United States.

Our thanks to each and every dedicated Leader and Co-leader for your time, energy and enthusiasm.



ATTENTION: Girl Scouts, Families and Friends



**RESERVATIONS LIMITED
 275 SKATERS**



**Saturday, May 25, 1991
 Admission \$2.50**

GIRL SCOUT ROLLER SKATING SESSION

**4:30 to 7:00 p.m.
 Skate rental \$1.00**

**LUNCH SPECIAL AVAILABLE
 Pizza & Pop ONLY \$1.00**

SIGN UP NOW
 Registration must be made by troop leader before Monday, May 20.
 When you register, we need your name, phone number, troop number,
 approximately how many girls will be in your group,
 and if you want to purchase lunch tickets.

LEADERS SKATE FREE!

Please call 892-0075 for reservations

\$1.25 of each admission goes to
 Girl Scout Council of Buffalo & Erie
 County

Don't Forget...

May

4, 11, 18, 25	Erie Canal Tours
18-31	Girl Scout Month at Marineland
20	Annual Meeting
25	Roller Skating

June

1, 8, 15, 22, 29	Erie Canal Tours
1-21	Girl Scout Month at Marineland
21-27	Girl Scouting Celebration Week at Darien Lake
24-30	Fantasy Island
	Girl Scouting Celebration Week

July

6, 13, 20, 27	Erie Canal Tours
8	Third Annual Men's & Women's Golf Classic



Camp Seven Hills A.C.A. Accreditation

Camp Seven Hills has again attained Accredited Camp status from the American Camping Association (ACA). Currently only one quarter of the camps in the United States have earned this distinction.

"Over five million children attend summer camp each year," noted John Miller ACA Executive Vice President. "Checking to see that a camp is ACA-accredited should be a top priority when parents and children begin looking at summer camps."

ACA's accreditation program requires review of every facet of a camp operation. Over 300 questions related specifically to camp are asked concerning the operation's site and facilities, personnel, programming and activities, health care and management practices. A camp must comply with every applicable mandatory standard. These standards relate directly to health and safety issues. In addition, camps must achieve a score of at least 80 percent in non-mandatory standards to earn accreditation.

Every three years trained camp professionals, not affiliated with the camp seeking accreditation, observe the camp while it is in operation and compare its practices against the standards of the industry.

"By becoming accredited Camp Seven Hills has demonstrated a commitment to the highest standard established for the camp

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MEMORIAL LIST 12/1/90 - 2/28/91

IN MEMORY OF:

FROM:

Florence Bohne	George & Cheryl Ann Lauer
Stanley G. Buczak	Stanley & Carol Buczak
Mrs. Geoffrey Cope	Robert & Christine Krollman
Dianne Fisher	Betty Pigut
Helen A. Kensy	Dianne Schell Helena Dinka Margaret I. Ego Elma Fire Company, Inc. David & Martha Hornung Ronald & Mary Kellner Michael & Deborah Kruse Rosa Long Leonard & Kathleen Majchszak Richard & Frances Morrison Occidental Chemical Corp. Betty Pigut Alice P. Russ John L. Russ Elizabeth Sayers Doris Szen Daniel & Sue Tantalio The Elma Larks James & Marianne VanHise John & Betty Wheeler
Peg Knoll	Betty Pigut
Eleanor Mitchell	Betty Pigut
Mrs. J. Dana Schlager	Joseph Schlager
Maureen Smith	Doris Szen
Luther Snow	Betty Pigut





Dot Goigel, Executive Director

New Executive Director Arrives

Dorothy A. Goigel is the new Executive Director for the Girl Scout Council of Buffalo and Erie County, Inc. She succeeds Edna L. Everson, who retired earlier this year. Goigel brings to the position 15 years of managerial experience in human services. She previously held positions as a Management Consultant for Girl Scouts of the U.S.A. in New York City, and as Director of Membership Services for Girl Scouts of Nassau County, Inc. in Garden City, New York. As Executive Director, Goigel manages operations for the Girl Scout Council of Buffalo and Erie County, Inc. which has a current membership of over 14,500. Goigel currently resides in Amherst having moved here from Long Island, New York.

Adult Members Receive Numeral Pins

The following people received numeral pins for their years in Girl Scouting.

20 years		35 years	
Michele Domico	Bernie Henderson	Marge Edwards	Liz Sayers
William Dustin	Sandy Olsen	Mary Klaus	
25 years		40 years	
Linnea George	Wini Patrick	Annette Dustin	Phyllis Lomanto
Marge Bauer	Kathy Schell		
Mary Ann Frank	Connie Smith		
Dawn Fritzinger			
30 years		50 years	
Pat Gengler	Pat Scheuerle	Shirley Jones	Doris Szen
Marty Hornung	Lois Stana		
55 years			
Sallyann Errington			

Camp Seven Hills Receives A.C.A. Accreditation

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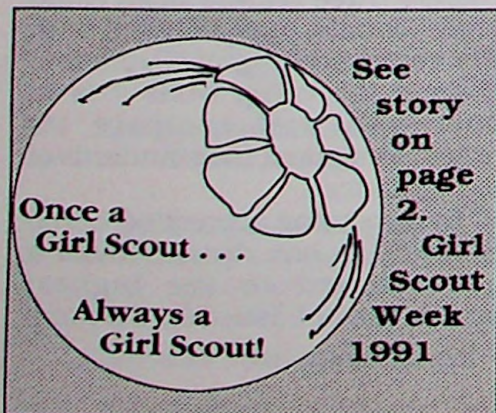
industry," added Miller. "ACA's standards program is nationally recognized and constantly updated to reflect the latest state-of-the-art in camp.

"Parents can be certain that by choosing this accredited camp many important questions have been asked-and satisfactorily answered-in ways that show that management cares about their children," Miller said.

The American Camping Association is a 5,000-member, not-for-profit organization committed to the continuing

values and benefits unique to the camp setting. Its membership encompasses all segments of the camp movement including non-profit agencies, private entrepreneurs, religiously-affiliated organizations and public-municipal agencies.

Camp Seven Hills offers a diverse range of activities and specializes in horsemanship programs for girls ages 6-17, and is in operation from July 8th to August 16th with session lengths from 3 days to 5 weeks. Girls do not need to be Girl Scouts to attend camp programs.





Girl Scouts came in all sizes, shapes and costumes to join in the fun of the Girl Scout Slumber Party. Seen here is Carrie Wilkins of Troop #342.



Erie County Girl Scouts enjoy a wacky night of fun & games at the Girl Scout Slumber Party at the Seneca Mall.

Girl Scout Slumber Party Attracts Nearly 200

The Second Annual Girl Scout Slumber Party was held in February at the Seneca Mall. Activities included 3 1/2 hours of games such as Wheel of Fortune, Family Feud, Price is Right and Double Dare. Time was also spent writing letters to service personnel in Operation Desert Storm. (see page 1)

This annual event gives Cadette and Senior girls a chance to meet and have fun together while shedding the mid-winter blues. One hundred and ninety-two girls and fifty adults participated.

Girl Scouting: Still Contemporary After 79 Years

In a world where newspaper headlines are filled with words such as "rioting", "famine", "child abuse", and "cocaine", it is heartening to be reminded that Girl Scouts of the U.S.A. is with us -- and celebrating its 79th year. If we were writing headlines about Girl Scouting, these are the kind of words we would use: "values", "leadership", and "growth".

On March 12, 1912 a remarkable woman named Juliette Gordon Low decided that what the girls of the United States needed was an organization of their own -- an organization where they could learn skills, develop self-esteem and have a wonderful time. From those first 18 Girl Scouts the largest voluntary organization for girls in the world (has grown). Today more than three million girls and adults share the experience of Girl Scouting.

Over the years, Girl Scouting has proved itself to be a highly flexible organization. While dedicated to those enduring values that have always been at the heart of the movement, today's Girl Scouts are as up-to-date as tomorrow.

Throughout the year, Erie County Girl Scouts participate in a series of program activities in the "contemporary issues series". These programs deal with vital issues such as prevention of substance abuse, prevention of teen suicide, preventing teen pregnancy and coping with family crisis. The Buffalo Girl Scout Council has also developed its own Family Life Education Program. Family Life Education gives girls age-appropriate facts on the physical, psychological and emotional changes girls face as they grow. These activities are set in the framework of traditional family values which are at the core of Girl Scouting.

For the very young Girl Scouts, there are programs like "Safe Kids" and "The Little Body Guards' Safety Club" which teaches personal safety skills for avoiding abuse and abduction situations.

When Juliette Gordon Low founded the Girl Scouts, she did not envision the world of the 1990's with its drug abuse, environmental perils, and the need for racial and ethnic understanding. However, the values and standards she set are timeless, and the Girl Scout program is continually responsive to the changing needs of girls. Girl Scouting offers a way for America's girls and young women to meet the complex challenges that face them as they move toward a new century.

Camp Seven Hills

It's not just for Girl Scouts!

Adventure for **all** girls ages 6-17

- Olympic-sized pool
- two lakes
- stables and riding program
- indoor riding arena
- international counselors from Camp America program
- outdoor sports complex
- program lodges
- programs in the arts, dramatics, sports, fitness and ecology
- memories and enduring friendships . . . campfires, a sense of community, an appreciation of nature . . . FUN!



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